

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Specification

The specification was objected to as allegedly failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matters. As a result, paragraph 54 was amended to clarify that certain media are tangible.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this basis for objection be withdrawn.

35 U.S.C. §§ 103

Claims 1-9, 13-17, and 20-21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Giles J. Burgess (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0033286; "Burgess") in view of Dinh et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0195970, "Dinh"). Claims 10-11, 18 and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Giles J. Burgess (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0033286; "Burgess") in view of Dinh et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0195970, "Dinh") as applied to claims 1-9, 13-17, and 20-21 and further in view of Koppolu et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,401,099, "Koppolu"). Claims 12, 19, and 23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Giles J. Burgess (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0033286; "Burgess") in view of Dinh et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0195970, "Dinh") as applied to claims 1-9, 13-17, and 20-21 and further in view of Daniel G. Pouzzner (U.S. Publication No. 2004/0044791, "Pouzzner"). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite “the naming conventions associated with the repository comprise a naming convention allowing duplicate displaynames in a resource region while disallowing duplicate resource identifiers in the resource region” (for support, see, *inter alia*, specification par. 25, 28). Claim 15 was similarly amended.

Burgess relates to the generation of globally-unique identifiers for the contents of a file referred to as CSFNs. With Burgess, an arbitrary-length stream of data defined by the contents of the file is processed to generate a message digest, which in turn is used to generate a CSFN. Burgess is silent as to how the stream of data is generated other than it being defined by the contents of the file. Such an stream of data does not correspond to a displayname as defined in the current application. Moreover, there is no suggestion that the stream of data is anything other than an intermediary form of data and as such, there is no suggestion that the stream of data might ever be duplicated.

Dinh on the other hand relates to a single sign on (SSO) service in which a user is presented with a plurality of resources that can be accessed with a particular SSO ID. The “user’s chosen resource name from the available resource list displayed to the user” simply refers to a selection by a user, rather than a displayname as recited in the claims. Furthermore, there is no suggestion that there are duplicate resource names in Dinh, and as a result, Dinh cannot be construed as allowing duplicate displaynames as recited in the claims.

Accordingly, claims 1-23 should be allowable.

New claim 24 finds support, *inter alia*, in paragraphs 34-41 and in FIG. 2. None of Burgess, Dinh, Koppulu or Pouzzner, whether considered singly or in combination, disclose or otherwise suggest the subject matter of claim 24, nor would a skilled artisan have been motivated to combine such references to result in the subject matter of claim 24.

Accordingly, claim 24 should be allowable.

New claim 25 finds support, inter alia, in paragraphs 42-47 and in FIG. 3 of the specification. None of Burgess, Dinh, Koppulu or Pouzzner, whether considered singly or in combination, disclose or otherwise suggest the subject matter of claim 25, nor would a skilled artisan have been motivated to combine such references to result in the subject matter of claim 25.

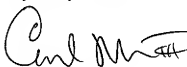
Accordingly, claim 25 should be allowable.

Concluding Comments

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the one-month extension fee, additional claim fees and any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 34874-097.

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